

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1 please insert the following section between the Title of the Invention and the Field of the Invention:

D1 -- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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This application is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/651,777, *^* filed August 30, 2000, which is hereby incorporated by reference. --

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute pending claims 6-10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18, and 20, with the corresponding amended claims, as shown below:

D2 6. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the administration results in a steady-state testosterone 24-hour pharmacokinetic profile in the male subject, having an increase in circulating serum concentration of the testosterone greater than about 400 ng testosterone per dl serum at about two hours after administration followed by a decrease to a testosterone concentration that remains relatively constant for the remainder of the day.

7. (Amended) The method of claim 6, wherein the composition is administered daily for at least about 7 days.

8. (Amended) The method of claim 6, wherein the relatively constant testosterone serum concentration is between about 400 ng/dL and about 1,000 ng/dL.

9. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the administration causes an increased average dihydrotestosterone serum concentration in the male subject.

10. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the administration causes an increase in the bone mineral density of the male subject.

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P3 12. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the administration causes increased libido in the male subject.

13. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the administration causes improved sexual performance in the male subject.

P4 15. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the administration causes improved mood in the male subject.

16. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the administration causes increased muscle strength in the male subject.

P5 18. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the administration causes improved body composition in the male subject.

P6 20. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the administration causes negligible skin irritation.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter has been added by the amendments to the claims or specification, or by the addition of new claims.

CONCLUSION

With entry of the above amendments and in view of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, allowance of the present claims is respectfully solicited. Applicants respectfully request early and favorable notification to that effect. Also submitted herewith, on a separate appended page titled "Version with Marking to Show Changes Made in the Specification and in the Claims," is a marked up copy of prior pending specification and claims.